

Boldre Parish Council (BPC) - Meeting held on 14th June 2021 @ 18:30 hrs

Councillors present: Oliver Moore Alison Bolton Sherwin Small Lester Mortimer Patrick Kempe
Jacqui England Vincent Slattery Pamela Keen Jo Humphreys Peter Lock
Jan Duke Barry Dunning

Meeting minutes

Cllr Moore opened the meeting and invited Mr Peter Watson to give his thoughts on the NPA Planning Application 21/00475 for Forest View, New Road, Portmore. Mr Watson suggested the proposed changes for an office, utility area and shed dwarfed the existing property, and was open to change of use at a subsequent date.

BPC discussed this application later in the meeting.

The size and close proximity of the proposed changes have now become clear.

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1	Apologies	None at this meeting	
2	Declarations of Interest	Cllr Small declared an interest in Planning Application 21/00419	
3	Minutes of the last meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 4 th May 2021 were corrected and then approved by Council for signature by Cllr Moore.	
4	Matters Arising		
13 Aug 2018	9.1 South Baddesley school	The School Travel Plan. Cllr White was due to speak to Cllr Chadd on Wednesday 11 November 2020. Apparently, the Headteacher is reluctant to produce this document. <i>No known progress.</i> Clerk to send details to Cllr Dunning.	Clerk
11 May 2020	9.2 Passford Fm outbuildings	BPC understands a Public Inquiry is re-scheduled for July 2021.	Monitor
13 Jul 2020	5.2 Whitelink: phone mast	Extension timescales for the permission granted on appeal for the temporary siting of the monopole are not clear. <i>No further news.</i>	No change Monitor
10 Aug 2020	7.5 Tanners Lane & Foreshore	Clerk reminded <u>HCC</u> on 6 th March - with particular reference to Health & Safety aspects if an ambulance cannot reach the foreshore when required. <i>No known progress</i>	HCC & Forestry England
12 Oct 2020	7.3 HGV Restrictions	HCC have now informed that they will install 'Unsuitable for HGV' signs into Sandy Down and Lower Sandy Down from the A337. Clerk to ask HCC for timescales.	HCC Clerk
9 Nov 2020	9.8 Shallows Lane bollards	The bollards are due to be replaced free of charge by HCC. The minor additional costs of an improved version will be funded by BPC.	Monitor
9 Nov 2020	12 Policies	Documents still to be reviewed include: • Data Protection and The GDPR Statement	Cllr Moore
08 Mar 2021	8.1 Community Shop	Joint zoom meetings with Boldre War Memorial Hall and Pilley Community Shop Ltd representatives have continued. Notes were circulated to BPC.	

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08 Mar 2021	6.1 HCC Highways	Cllr Moore reminded Cllr White about the need for HCC to confirm compensation measures for the roadside damage caused by SGN diversions in December 2020. No known progress.	HCC
08 Mar 2021	11 Community Links	The Bridge - Parish Guide information due to be included. A productive meeting was held using Zoom. Continues.	
08 Mar 2021	13.1 HMRC debt	Clerk reminded that HMRC advise that we are some £500 in arrears for National Insurance due from BPC. Information to this effect has been found on the HMRC website. However, in addition, a letter has now been received indicating that a further £251 is owed for 2020-21 including some PAYE and interest. Clerk to pay the HMRC the £500 and investigate any further debt.	Clerk
12 Apr 2021	8.4 Roundabout repairs	Cllr Kempe and our Groundsman made repair to the roundabout matting to achieve compliance with clearance requirements.	Close
4 May 2021	10.4 New Play Area	Plans for the new Play Area will be displayed at the South Baddesley fete in Pylewell park on Sunday 20 th June 2021	Cllr Moore
5	Planning		
		The full agreed planning <u>recommendations</u> to the New Forest National Park Authority (NPA) and New Forest District Council (NFDC) are attached at the bottom of these minutes, to be sent to their Development Control sections. These Planning Authorities <u>decide</u> upon these applications. <i>In summary, the recommendations were:</i>	Clerk
	NPA	21/00050 Eden Cottage, Norley Wood Comment 5 - Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Mortimer Unanimous recommendation	
	NPA	21/00419 3 Pilley Hill, Pilley No comment from BPC as the applicant is a BPC Councillor	
	NPA	21/00438 Galley Hill, Southampton Rd, Boldre Comment 4 – Proposed by Cllr Mortimer, seconded by Cllr Kempe Unanimous recommendation	
	NPA	21/00440 Myrtle Cottage, Royden Lane, Boldre Noted as withdrawn	
	NPA	21/00475 Forest View, New Road, Portmore Comment 4 – Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Mortimer Recommended by 8 councillors. Cllr Moore voted against this recommendation.	
	NPA	21/00479 The Barn, Passford Farm, Lymington Comment 4 – Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Small Unanimous recommendation	
	NPA	21/00485 Grid Ref: SZ32259886, Rodlease Lane, Boldre Application for a second single phase electricity supply Not considered a Planning matter by BPC.	

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	NPA	21/00486	The Well House, Southampton Road, Boldre Comment 5 - Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Kempe Unanimous recommendation	
	NPA	21/00289	Fleur-de-Lys, Pilley Street, Pilley - Amended Plans have been received and approved by the Planning sub-group on behalf of BPC	
5.2	Agricultural Occupancy		Following a request by BPC to raise this issue at the Consultative Panel, it was made clear that owners of property with an Agricultural Occupancy condition are now sent letters every 4 years to confirm compliance. This was recommended by BPC years ago at a meeting with the Steve Avery (NPA).	
6	Reports			
6.1	Hampshire CC		Cllr Barry Dunning was welcomed to his first BPC meeting as our new County Councillor. He raised the issues of traffic and parking in Lymington High Street, asking for support from BPC. A decision was made to contact HCC to oppose the suggestion of Parking Meters which could reduce the level of visitors to the High Street. Note that some councillors were however in favour of such proposals.	
6.2	NFDC		Cllr Jan Duke highlighted several aspects from her report including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problems with feral cats and rubbish at the Fleur-de-Lys caravan park • Recent difficulties experienced contacting the NPA Planning department • Housing Department issues with rough sleepers • The possibilities of donating land for housing 	
7	Highways		The Clerk raised reminded BPC of three problems that have been highlighted to Hampshire Highways:	
	7.1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>The Give Way sign at the Boldre Lane (Red Lion) crossroads</u> has been replaced (HH reference 21458846) after some 20 months. But the replacement is in the same location as before and has already been damaged by passing traffic – a complete waste of time and money. 	
	7.2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>The verges damaged by heavy traffic</u> following unscheduled diversions from the A337 in mid-December 2020 (HH reference 21536806) at numerous locations along Sandy Down, Lower Sandy Down, Royden Lane and Boldre Lane. Compensation (by Southern Gas Networks) to landowners has been mentioned by an HCC officer. Nothing has been heard since January 2021. 	Clerk to remind HCC
	7.3		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>The problem of HGVs using our small roads</u> has been raised by residents and BPC across the whole parish, including South Baddesley, Norley Wood, Boldre Lane, Church Lane, and the Sandy Down area over the past two years. HCC have agreed to supply and install “unsuitable for HGVs” signs in the Sandy Down area as a low priority. In addition, some residents have asked HCC for quotations for self-funded signing, which might offer a swifter solution. 	Clerk to check timing with HCC
	7.4		In addition, the Highways sub-group are due to propose a strategy to BPC at the July meeting covering key aspects of relevant issues within the parish which could include: HGV access, Speed Limits, Issue Liaison with Hampshire Highways etc.	BPC Highways

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	7.5	<p>Footpaths</p> <p>BPC decided that cutting local footpaths was not appropriate for our Groundsman as no budget is available.</p> <p>Councillors are asked to check footpaths that are known to become overgrown in order that HCC can be requested to maintain these Rights of Way.</p> <p>Main examples include F1, F2, F25, F27.</p> <p>The Lengthsman could be asked to assist with the work.</p> <p>Cllr Keen mentioned that she was in contact with the landowner about F17</p>	<p><u>Councillors</u> Humphreys England Slattery</p>
8	Amenities		
8.1			
8.1.1	Existing Play Area	<p>a) BPC are awaiting a line by line quotation to inspect, repair and perhaps enhance the Pendulum swing. Additionally, a detailed quotation is due for an extension to the existing inclusive Birds Nest swing, to add one flat seat and one cradle swing using extra frame and matting materials.</p> <p>Councillors approved expenditure up to a total of £4,000, plus VAT, on such work.</p> <p>b) Clerk was asked to contact Bournemouth Water whose grant scheme might help fund this project.</p>	<p>Huck</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8.1.2	New Play Area	The Amenities sub-group have agreed to make recommendation for the equipment supplier to BPC at the July meeting	Amenities
8.2	Football	<p>Lymington Town FC now incorporates the Lymington Sprites. The club have asked to use the recreation ground for training and some pre-season matches during June/July/August 2021. Sessions will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, plus Saturday mornings.</p> <p>Longer term changes have been suggested for the pitches and goals which will be discussed with LTFC. In addition, a full year contract will be considered by BPC and LTFC. This could extend over a 2 or 3 year period. Clerk to draft.</p> <p>Extra work on the pitches and cleaning in the pavilion will be necessary. The possibility of employing a cleaner was discussed, but our Groundsman will be given first refusal for any extra work.</p>	<p>Clerk & Amenities</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8.3	Sanitising Play Area equipment	<p>BPC decided that the weekly cleaning and sanitising of surfaces in the existing Play Area could cease. Clerk to inform Groundsman.</p> <p>Longer term signage, as observed by Cllr Mortimer at Brockenhurst, will be investigated</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8.4	Recreation Ground and Pavilion	<p><u>Parking and Access</u></p> <p>A response to BWMH was carried forward for further consideration.</p>	July 2021
9	Finance		
	9.1	Payments	Payments of £ 2,004.53 were approved for June 2021.
	9.2	Bank	The reconciliation for May 2021 was confirmed.

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	9.3	Internal Audit	The various papers had been sent to Councillors as complete. The necessary returns will now be displayed on the BPC website with copies sent to the External Auditor, including the pages below:	Cllr Moore Clerk
	9.3.1	Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2020-21, dated and signed by BPC Chairman (Cllr Moore) and the Clerk (Peter Lock) 	
	9.3.2	Accounting Statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 2 – Accounting Statements for 2020-21, dated and signed by BPC Chairman (Cllr Moore) and the Clerk (Peter Lock) 	
10	IT Summary		Little to report except the upload of Audit documents to the BPC website.	
11	External meetings		Cllr Bolton mentioned the NPA Partnership plan, and suggested Mr Steve Avery be invited to a future BPC meeting to give details	??
12	BPC Vacancy		A vacancy exists, but no applications were received by the NFDC following display of their notices. Since then a lady has made contact via Cllr Mortimer. Cllr Moore is due to make contact.	Cllr Moore
13	A.O.B.			
13.1	Parking – Lymington High Street		A discussion about parking meters in the High Street is covered above in section 6.1 above.	
13.2	Fortnightly BPC meetings		An increase to two meetings each month were discussed, but no decision was taken at this stage. Additional ad-hoc meetings will be called when required.	
13.3	Permitted Path		Cllr Bolton outline the possibility of a Permitted Path between the Recreation Ground and Pilley Street at the rear of the Fleur-de-Lys Caravan Park site.	
13.4	Clerk's holiday		The Clerk will be on holiday in Devon from 18-25 th June inclusive.	
14	Next Meeting		<p>The next BPC meeting is due on Monday 12 July 2021</p> <p>At present HMG have instructed that such meetings must be held in person. Remote attendance is not an option. If this meeting is held inside the BWMH the larger room is preferred and masks may have to be worn. Only one member of the public could enter the meeting room at a time.</p> <p>An option is to offer some/all attendees the BPC gazebo just outside the BWMH.</p>	

The meeting closed at 21:00 hrs

New Forest National Park (NPA) Planning Applications:

21/00050	Eden Cottage Joys Lane Norley Wood	Letter from NPA dated 2 nd June 2021 Single storey extension; roof alteration to existing attached workshop; sewage treatment plant; 2no. gates; access; fencing; landscaping; demolition of existing extension, attached structure and 2no. outbuildings (AMENDED PLANS)	Comment 5 While regretting the loss of original features.
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21/00324	Hillside, Pilley Street, Pilley, Lymington	Notified in May 2021	Notified in May 2021
21/00419	3 Pilley Hill, Pilley, Lymington, SO41 5QF	Outbuilding	No Comment as applicant is member of BPC.
21/00438	Galley Hill, Southampton Road, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8ND	Glazed covered area to rear Site	Comment 4 As this addition is over 30% of permitted increase.
21/00440	Myrtle Cottage Royden Lane, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8PJ	2no. outbuildings; vehicular and pedestrian access; hardstanding; demolition of 4no. outbuildings WITHDRAWN	
21/00475	Forest View, New Road, Portmore, Lymington, SO41 5RZ	Replacement outbuilding for use as home office; bike store; car port; personal workshop	Comment 4 While supporting working from home where possible, BPC considers this outbuilding excessively large and with the potential to become a separate unit of accommodation.
21/00479	The Barn, Passford Farm, Southampton Road, Lymington SO41 8ND	Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for continued use of barn as a single dwelling	Comment 4 This appears to be a blatant flouting of a previous enforcement and is <u>not</u> supported by BPC.
21/00485	Grid Ref: Sz32259886 Hazzards Esn417, Rodlease Lane, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 5PB	Application under section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 and section 90(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the provision of a second single phase electricity supply (1no. overhead cable)	According to the Parish Briefing Notes this is a matter for the Secretary of State and not a planning matter.
21/00486	The Well House, Southampton Road, Boldre, Lymington SO41 8PT	Two storey extension	Comment 5
21/00289 21/00288	Fleur de Lys	Amended plans from May 2021	Approved by BPC. NPA informed w/c 7/6/21

1. We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.
2. We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.
3. We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed.
4. We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed.
5. We have no objection to this planning application and are happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park or NFDC Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.